



Region 2 Works Council

MEETING AGENDA

March 5, 2015

9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Ivy Tech, South Bend

220 Dean Johnson Blvd, Rm 2121

South Bend, IN 46601

- I. Call to Order and Welcome
9:10 a.m.
- II. Roll Call
Members:
Brad Bishop, Larry Garatoni, Kate Lee, Lisa Dercach, Dave Behrens, Bill Kovach, Sarah Rice, Brian Wiebe, Ray Patnaude, Shawn Hoffman
Guests:
Todd Hurst, Jennifer O'Shea, Greg Vollmer
- III. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes from December 11th
Approved
- IV. Technical Assistance – Todd Hurst, C.E.L.L.
Todd Hurst gave an overview of the EWIN project and how this can help on a regional level, through the Works Councils.
He discussed the landscape review process and the coalition building event that they intend to host in June. The Coalition Building 101 event will be offered in the north, central and south. Members of the council agreed that Jack and John out of Region 9 will provide great coalition building training.
Todd also told the Works Council that there will also be outcome based assistance, which can be customized for the region. Some of the areas include sector partnership development and pathway development.
There was a lot of conversation around how this might look for Region 2. There is a lot of interest in Work Based Learning and Career Development. It was decided that this will be the focus of the Works Council moving forward.
- V. CTE Funding Formula – Bill Kovach, Elkhart Area Career Center

Bill Kovach gave an overview of HB 1001, which changes the funding formula for secondary CTE. He shared that conversations are still happening and nothing is final, but as it currently stands the proposals would hurt CTE. The council members asked questions about what the intent is and how it would impact Career Centers. There was good conversation around this.

- VI. OrthoWorx Talent Development Initiative – Brad Bishop, OrthoWorx
Brad shared information with the group regarding the OrthoWorx Talent Development Initiative which funds/supports initiatives designed to improve workforce development in northern Indiana for the region's orthopedic industry by improving the attraction and retention of students from key Indiana colleges and universities. There is a big focus on work and learn opportunities and career development at both the high school and college level. There are nine colleges/universities engaged in this and a lot of outreach to local secondary institutions, as well as great employer engagement.
The goal is to get more Indiana kids in orthopedics as a career.
Brad wants to find ways to coordinate more with things that are happening regionally and across other industries.
- VII. Other Business
Jennifer O'Shea updated the group on the Career Ready Campaign and encouraged both schools and employers to be looking out for more information and to get involved.
- VIII. Adjournment
10:39 a.m.